INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2009

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<u>Officials</u>

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Term Expires
Steven Reuter Ken Kammeyer Gaylord Hinderaker	Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors Board of Supervisors	January 2009 January 2009 January 2011
Lynn Brase	County Auditor	January 2009
Sue Shonka	County Treasurer	January 2011
Donna Ellison	County Recorder	January 2011
Duane Hildebrandt	County Sheriff	January 2009
Kasey Wadding	County Attorney	January 2011
Jean Keller	County Assessor	Appointed
Cathy Tholkes	County Finance	Appointed

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Officials of Bremer County, lowa:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bremer County, lowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Bremer County, lowa's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bremer County, Iowa at June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated March 26, 2010 on our consideration of Bremer County, Iowa's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis, Budgetary Comparison Information and Schedule of Funding Progress for the Retiree Health Plan on pages 3 through 7 and 36 through 39 are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Bremer County, lowa's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the three years ended June 30, 2008 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. The financial statements for the five years ended June 30, 2005 (which are not presented herein) were audited by other auditors, who expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 5, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

ANDERSON, LARKIN & CO. P.C.

Ottumwa, lowa March 26, 2010

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Bremer County, Iowa provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the County's financial statements, which follow.

2009 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- ♦ County governmental activities revenue increased 8.9%, or \$1,247,929 from 2008 to 2009.
- Program expenses of the County's governmental activities were 1.9%, or \$259,926, less in 2009 than in 2008.
- ♦ The County's governmental activities net assets increased 8.6%, or \$2,174,132, during the year ended June 30, 2009.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows;

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the County's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Assets and a Statement of Activities. These statements provide information about the activities of Bremer County, Iowa as a whole and present an overall view of the County's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Bremer County, lowa's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which Bremer County, lowa acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of County government (Agency Funds).

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the County's budget for the year.

Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental and the individual agency funds.

REPORTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

One of the most important questions asked about the County's finances is, "Is the County as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information which helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The Statement of Net Assets presents all of the County's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as "net assets". Over tirge, increases or decreases in the County's net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the County is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the County's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future fiscal periods.

The County's governmental activities are presented in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities. Governmental activities include public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, mental health, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, interest on long-term debt and non-program activities. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The County has three kinds of funds:

1. Governmental funds account for most of the County's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds, and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: 1) the General Fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Mental Health, Rural Services, and Secondary Roads, 3) the Debt Service Fund, and 4) the Capital Projects Fund. These funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the County's general governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the County's programs.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a balance sheet and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances.

2. Proprietary funds are used to account for the County's Internal Service, Employee Group Health Insurance Fund. Internal Service Funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the County's various functions.

In addition, proprietary funds account for the County's Enterprise Fund, Community Based Services. This fund reports services for which the County charges customers for the services it provides. Enterprise Funds are reported in the same way all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities. The major difference between the proprietary funds and the business type activities included in the government-wide statements is the detail and additional information, such as cash flows, provided in the proprietary fund financial statements. The County is responsible for ensuring the assets reported in this fund are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of net assets, a statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets and a statement of cash flows.

3. Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trust or agency capacity for others which cannot be used to support the County's own programs. These fiduciary funds include Agency Funds that account for drainage districts, emergency management services, and the County Assessor, to name a few.

The required financial statement for fiduciary funds is a statement of fiduciary assets and liabilities.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements follow the fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in net assets for governmental activities.

Net Assets of Governmental Activities

	<u> 2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current and other assets Capital assets Total assets	\$ 18,728,311 22,430,197 41,158,508	\$ 17,279,337 22,360,231 39,639,568
Long-term debt outstanding Other liabilities Total liabilities	6,066,781 <u>7,771,305</u> <u>13,838,086</u>	6,823,854 <u>7,669,424</u> <u>14,493,278</u>
Net assets: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted Total net assets	\$ 16,852,647 7,131,662 <u>3,336,113</u> <u>27,320,422</u>	\$ 15,936,431 6,936,939 2,272,920 25,146,290

Net assets of the County's governmental activities increased by 8.6% (\$27,320,422 compared to \$25,146,290. The largest portion of the County's net assets is the investment in capital assets (e.g., land, infrastructure, buildings, and equipment), less the related debt. The debt related to the investment in capital assets is liquidated with resources other than capital assets. Restricted net assets represent resources that are subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. Unrestricted net assets – the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements – increased from \$2,272,920 at June 30, 2008 to \$3,336,113 at the end of this year, an increase of 46.8%.

Changes in Net Assets of Governmental Activities

Revenues:		2009		2008
Program revenues:				
Charges for service	\$	2,387,064	\$	1,821,100
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest	Ψ	7,274,889	Ψ	6,757,949
General revenues:		1,214,000		0,701,040
Property and other County tax		4,967,555		4,849,413
Unrestricted investment earnings		150,398		276,203
Other general revenues		493,032		320,344
Total revenues		15,272,938		14,025,009
Total Toverlags		10,272,000		14,020,008
Program expenses:				
Public safety and legal services		3,021,999		2,762,583
Physical health and social services		601,997		559,181
Mental health		2,253,151		2,001,045
County environment and education		1,288,495		1,432,383
Roads and transportation		3,457,721		4,435,282
Governmental services to residents		607,450		532,354
Administration		1,500,820		1,403,802
Nonprogram		142,979		
Interest on long-term debt		215,584		232,102
Capital projects		8,610		
Total expenses		13,098,806		13,358,732
Change in net assets		2,174,132		666,277
Net assets – Beginning of year		25,146,290		24,480,013
Net assets – End of year	\$	27,320,422	\$	<u>25,146,290</u>

The results of governmental activities for the year resulted in Bremer County, Iowa's net assets increasing by \$2,174,132. Revenues for governmental activities increased by \$1,247,929 from the prior year. This increase was due primarily to an increase in charges for service and operating grants, contributions and restricted interest received during the current year in comparison to the prior year.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was \$13,098,806 compared to \$13,358,732 last year. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities, the amount that our taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities through County taxes was \$3,436,853 because some of the cost was paid by those directly benefited from the programs (\$2,387,064) or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (\$7,274,889).

Business Type Activities

The enterprise fund is used to account for the operation of mental health facilities for Bremer County, lowa residents through the rental and use of County owned homes, apartment buildings, and the support of various user charges. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, net assets decreased by \$81,915. Revenues increased 82.0% primarily in charges for services. Expenses were 73.8% more than the prior year, mainly because of increases in operations expenses and supplies.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR FUND ANALYSIS

As the County completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$10,771,376, which is an increase of \$1,530,064 from last year's total of \$9,241,312.

- General Fund revenues and expenditures increased by 16.8% and 5.8% respectively when compared to the prior year. The ending fund balance showed an increase from the prior year of \$1,250,107 from \$2,665,753 to \$3,915,860.
- The County has continued to look for ways to effectively manage the cost of mental health services. For the year, expenditures totaled \$2,219,420, an increase of 11.4% from the prior year. The Mental Health Fund balance at year end increased by \$247,770 from the prior year.
- Rural Services Fund revenues increased 2.3% while expenditures increased 4.4%. The Rural Services Fund balance increased by \$935 from the prior year.
- Solid Waste Management Fund revenues and expenses decreased by 42.5% and 28.5%, respectively. The Solid Waste Management Fund balance decreased by \$83,595 from the prior year.
- Secondary Roads Fund expenditures decreased by \$473,221 from the prior year. There was an increase in the Secondary Roads Fund ending balance of \$409,572, or 138.2%.
- The Solid Waste Closure Fund balance decreased \$331,355 from the prior year to \$1,504,397.
- The Community Based Services, net assets balance decreased \$81,915 from the prior year to \$372,771 due
 in part to an increase in expenses.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, Bremer County, Iowa amended its budget once. The amendment was made on May 20, 2009 and resulted in an increase in budgeted revenues and disbursements in certain County departments.

CAPTIAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2009, Bremer County, Iowa had \$22,430,197 invested in a broad range of capital assets, including public safety equipment, buildings, park facilities, and roads and bridges. This net increase (including additions, deletions and depreciation) of \$69,966 or .31% over last year. The majority of this increase was due to infrastructure additions.

Capital Assets of Governmental Activities at Year End

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Land	\$ 1,313,404	\$ 1,283,404
Buildings, improvements and construction in progress (net)	7,642,496	7,564,734
Machinery and equipment (net)	1,429,852	1,747,597
Infrastructure (net)	12,044,445	11,764,496
Totals	\$ 22,430,197	\$ 22,360,231
The year's major additions included:		
Land	\$ 30,000	\$ 130,008
Roads and bridges	996,167	213,152
Machinery and equipment	145,148	437,259
Buildings, improvements and construction in progress	203,106	1,076,596
, ,	\$ 1,374,421	\$ 1,857,015

The County had depreciation expense of \$1,277,056 for the year ended June 30, 2009 and total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2009 of \$18,938,981. Additional information about the County's capital assets is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

Long-term Debt

At June 30, 2009, Bremer County had \$6,122,650 in bonds and other debt outstanding compared to \$6,823,854 at June 30, 2008, as shown below.

Outstanding Debt of Governmental Activities at Year-End

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
General obligation notes and bonds	\$ 4,870,000	\$ 5,130,000
Closure and post closure cost estimate	707,550	1,293,800
Net OPEB liability	55,869	_
Compensated absences	489,231	400,054
Totals	\$ 6,122,650	\$ 6,823,854

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt that counties can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the County's corporate limits. The County's outstanding general obligation debt is significantly below its constitution debt limit of \$43,874,343. Additional information about the County's long-term debt is presented in Note 7 to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

Bremer County, lowa's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2010 budget, tax rates, and the fees that will be charged for the various County activities. One of those factors is the economy. Unemployment in the County now stands at 6.7% versus 2.9% a year ago. This compares with the State's unemployment rate of 6.7% and the national rate of 10.2%

Inflation in the State continues to be somewhat lower than the national Consumer Price Index increase. The State's CPI decrease was 3.6% for fiscal year 2009 compared with the national decrease of 3.1%.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2010. Amounts available for appropriation in the operating budget are \$332,975 more than the final 2009 budget. Budgeted disbursements are expected to decrease by \$107,846 compared to the final 2009 budget. The County has added no major new programs or initiatives to the 2010 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the County's budgetary operating balance is expected to decrease \$949,924 by the close of fiscal year 2010.

CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of Bremer County, lowa's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Bremer County Auditor's Office, 415 East Bremer Avenue, Waverly, lowa 50677.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS <u>JUNE 30, 2009</u>

	G	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS:				
Cash and pooled investments Receivables: Property tax:	\$	11,203,624	\$ 68,079	\$ 11,271,703
Delinquent		27,419	_	27,419
Succeeding year		6,799,859	_	6,799,859
Accounts		134,843	55,742	190,585
Accrued interest		50,822	-	50,822
Due from other governments		220,207	152,131	372,338
Inventories		233,832	102,101	233,832
Prepaid insurance		57,705	5,813	63,518
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)		22,430,197	263,785	22,693,982
Notes receivable		-	56,000	56,000
Total assets		41,158,508	601,550	41,760,058
Total assets		41,100,000	001,000	41,700,056
LIABILITIES:				,
Accounts payable		420,017	75,205	495,222
Accrued interest payable		16,382	75,205	•
Salaries and benefits payable		427,705	33,866	16,382 461,571
Due to other governments		51,473	28,119	79,592
Deferred revenue:		01,470	20,119	79,092
Succeeding year property tax		6,799,859		6,799,859
Other		0,799,009	26,702	26,702
Long-term liabilities:		_	20,702	20,702
Portion due or payable within one year:				
General obligation bonds		265,000	_	265,000
Compensated absences		489,231	64,887	554,118
Portion due or payable after one year:		408,201	04,007	554,110
General obligation bonds		4,605,000		4,605,000
Closure and postclosure costs		707,550	-	707,550
Net OPEB liability		55,869	_	55,869
Total liabilities			229 770	
Total habilities		13,838,086	228,779	14,066,865
NET ASSETS:				
		46 050 647	000 705	47 440 400
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted for:		16,852,647	263,785	17,116,432
Supplemental levy purposes		276,146	-	276,146
Mental health purposes		869,095	-	869,095
Secondary roads purposes		705,886	₩.	705,886
Closure and postclosure care costs		1,504,397	-	1,504,397
Capital projects		46,390		46,390
Other special revenue		3,729,748	-	3,729,748
Unrestricted		3,336,113	108,986	3,445,099
Total net assets	\$	27,320,422	\$ 372,771	\$ 27,693,193

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		 Program Revenues			
	·			Operating Grants, Contributions	
		Charges		and Restricted	
	Expenses	for Service		<u>Interest</u>	
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS:					
Governmental activities:					
Public safety and legal services	\$ 3,021,999	\$ 1,154,478	\$	9,236	
Physical health and social services	601,997	64,126		-	
Mental health	2,253,151	₩		2,468,881	
County environment and education	1,288,495	316,002		450,843	
Roads and transportation	3,457,721	118,351		3,988,954	
Governmental services to residents	607,450	651,079		290,855	
Administration	1,500,820	83,028		· •	
Nonprogram	142,979	-		-	
Interest on long-term debt	215,584	-		66,120	
Capital projects	8,610				
Total governmental activities	13,098,806	2,387,064		7,274,889	
Business type activities:					
Mental health	2,033,202	1,887,045			
Total	\$ 15,132,008	\$ 4,274,109	\$	7,274,889	

GENERAL REVENUES:

Property and other County tax levied for:
General purposes
Penalty and interest on property tax
State tax credits
Local option sales and services tax
Unrestricted investment earnings
Gain on disposal of capital assets
Miscellaneous

Total general revenues

Change in net assets

NET ASSETS - Beginning of year, as restated

NET ASSETS - End of year

Net (Expense) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets

Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business Type <u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ (1,858,285) (537,871) 215,730 (521,650) 649,584 334,484 (1,417,792) (142,979) (149,464) (8,610) (3,436,853)	\$ -	\$ (1,858,285) (537,871) 215,730 (521,650) 649,584 334,484 (1,417,792) (142,979) (149,464) (8,610) (3,436,853)
	(146,157)	(146,157)
(3,436,853)	(146,157)	(3,583,010)
4,110,096 45,661 170,757 857,459 150,398 16,688 259,926 5,610,985 2,174,132 25,146,290	600 - 63,642 64,242 (81,915) 454,686	4,110,096 45,661 170,757 857,459 150,998 16,688 323,568 5,675,227 2,092,217 25,600,976
\$ 27,320,422	\$ 372,771	\$ 27,693,193

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

				Special Revenue
<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>General</u>	MH-DD	Rural <u>Services</u>	Solid Waste <u>Management</u>
<u> </u>				
Cash and pooled investments Receivables: Property tax:	\$ 3,947,130	\$ 984,967	\$ 202,083	\$ 1,642,272
Delinquent	15,760	4,329	7,330	-
Succeeding year	4,066,806	1,098,763	1,634,290	w w
Accounts	115,259	14,233	-	905
Due from other governments	109,415	34,950	-	-
Inventories		-	-	_
Prepaid expenses	32,660			3,028
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8,287,030	\$ <u>2,137,242</u>	\$ <u>1,843,703</u>	\$ 1,646,205
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES:				
Accounts payable	\$ 43,040	\$ 59,702	\$ -	\$ 3,254
Salaries and benefits payable	238,630	74,464	10,039	5,425
Due to other governments Deferred revenue:	6,934	30,889	-	5,462
Succeeding year property tax	4,066,806	1,098,763	1,634,290	-
Other	15,760	4,329	7,330	_
Total liabilities	4,371,170	<u>1,268,147</u>	<u>1,651,659</u>	14,141
FUND BALANCES:				
Reserved for:				
Supplemental levy	276,146	-	-	-
Closure and postclosure costs	~	-	-	
Prepaid insurance	32,660	-	-	3,028
Unreserved, reported in:				
General fund	3,607,054	-	400.044	-
Special revenue funds	•	869,095	192,044	1,629,036
Capital projects fund			400.044	4 000 004
Total fund balances	3,915,860	869,095	192,044	1,632,064
TOTAL LIABILITIES				
AND FUND BALANCES	\$ <u>8,287,030</u>	\$ <u>2,137,242</u>	\$ <u>1,843,703</u>	\$1,646,205

 Secondary <u>Roads</u>	Solid Waste <u>Closure</u>	Nonmajor <u>Governmental</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 572,650	\$ 1,505,212	\$ 1,921,498	\$ 10,775,812
3,411 - 233,832 22,017	-	953 75,842	27,419 6,799,859 134,761 220,207 233,832 57,705
\$ 831,910	\$ 1,505,212	\$ 1,998,293	\$ 18,249,595
\$ 26,007 99,147 870	\$ 815 - -	\$ 38,945 - 7,318	\$ 171,763 427,705 51,473
		w	6,799,859
126,024	815	46,263	7,478,219
- - 22,017	1,504,397 -	- - -	276,146 1,504,397 57,705
683,869	1,504,397	1,905,640 46,390 1,952,030	3,607,054 5,279,684 46,390 10,771,376
\$ 831,910	\$ 1,505,212	\$ 1,998,293	\$ 18,249,595

27,320,422

BREMER COUNTY, IOWA

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2009

TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 10,771,376
AMOUNTS REPORTED FOR GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. The cost of assets is \$41,369,178 and the accumulated depreciation is \$18,938,981.	22,430,197
Other assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are not recorded in the funds.	50,822
Other revenues are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	27,419
The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of the partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to the funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are included in governmental activities in the Statement of Net	
Assets.	179,640
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, compensated absences payable, closure and postclosure care costs, net OPEB liability and accrued interest payable, are not due and	
payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	(6,139,032)

NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		 	8	Special Revenue
			Rural	Solid Waste
	<u>General</u>	<u>MH-DD</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Management</u>
REVENUES:				
Property and other County tax	\$ 4,109,592	\$ 1,128,877	\$ 1,585,594	\$ -
Interest and penalty on property tax	45,661	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	1,784,585	1,323,181	69,320	13,037
Licenses and permits	282,804	-	-	-
Charges for service	534,662	14,919	-	106,845
Use of money and property Miscellaneous	461,742	-	-	73,461
	190,195	213		4,237
Total revenues	7,409,241	2,467,190	1,654,914	197,580
EXPENDITURES:				
Operating:				
Public safety and legal services	2,593,501	-	232,783	-
Physical health and social services	577,372	-	-	-
Mental health	-	2,219,420	-	-
County environment and education	727,174	-	161,026	205,622
Roads and transportation	-	-	-	-
Governmental services to residents	613,004	-	-	-
Administration	1,375,517	-	2,793	, -
Nonprogram	170,654	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-	-
Capital projects				-
Total expenditures	6,057,222	2,219,420	396,602	205,622
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over				
(under) expenditures	1,352,019	247,770	1,258,312	(8,042)
Other financial sources (uses):				
Sale of capital assets	4,500	_		39,587
Transfers in	125,000	_		12,860
Transfers out	(231,412)	_	(1,257,377)	(128,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(101,912)		(1,257,377)	(75,553)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(101,012)		(1,207,017)	(10,000)
Net change in fund balances	1,250,107	247,770	935	(83,595)
FUND BALANCES - Beginning of year	2,665,753	621,325	191,109	1,715,659
FUND BALANCES - End of year	\$ 3,915,860	\$ 869,095	\$ 192,044	\$1,632,064

-	Secondary Roads	Solid Waste Closure		Nonmajor Governmental	<u>Total</u>
	140000	<u> </u>	-	o o v o i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	<u> </u>
\$	-	\$ -	\$	894,385	\$ 7,718,448 45,661
	2,333,644	_		29,435	5,553,202
	5,600	-		_	288,404
	55	-		5,334	661,815
	-	131,945		99,946	767,094
	112,696			12,004	319,345
	2,451,995	131,945		1,041,104	15,353,969
	-	<u></u>		-	2,826,284
	-	-		-	577,372
	^ -			-	2,219,420
		463,300		99,166	1,656,288
	3,430,498	-		₩	3,430,498
	•	-		-	613,004
	-	-		-	1,378,310
	-	-		470 544	170,654
	4E 206	-		476,511	476,511 540,654
	15,386	400,000		504,265	519,651
	3,445,884	463,300		1,079,942	13,867,992
	(993,889)	(331,355)		(38,838)	1,485,977
	-	-		· •	44,087
	1,403,461	-		378,728	1,920,049
				(303,260)	(1,920,049)
	1,403,461	-		75,468	44,087
	409,572	(331,355)		36,630	1,530,064
	296,314	1,835,752		1,915,400	9,241,312
\$	705,886	\$ 1,504,397	\$	1,952,030	\$ 10,771,376

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND **CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES** YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

NET CHANGE IN	FUND BALANCE	S - TOTAL C	OVERNMENTAL	FUNDS
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\$ 1,530,064

AMOUNTS REPORTED FOR GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES ARE DIFFERENT BECAUSE:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets. Capital outlay expenditures exceeded depreciation expense and loss on disposal of capital assets in the current year as follows:		
Expenditures for capital assets Depreciation expense Loss on disposal of capital assets	\$ 1,374,421 (1,277,056) (27,399)	69,966
Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets. Current year repayments are as follows:		
Principal payments made by the County		260,000
Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after the County's year end, they are not considered available and are excluded from the governmental funds.		
Property taxes Interest	\$ 2,590 (100,309)	(97,719)
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds, as follows:		
Net OPEB liability Closure and postclosure costs Compensated absences Interest on long-term debt	\$ (55,869) 586,250 (89,177) 927	442,131
The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of employee health benefits to the funds. The change in net assets of the Internal Service Fund is reported with the governmental activities.		(30,310)

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 2,174,132

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

		Internal Service Employee Group Health	-	Enterprise Community Based Services	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Receivables:	\$	427,812	\$	68,079	\$ 495,891
Accounts Due from other governments		82 -		55,742 152,131	55,824 152,131
Prepaid expenses Capital assets Accumulated depreciation		-		5,813 589,934 (326,149)	5,813 589,934 (326,149)
Notes receivable		407.004		56,000	56,000
TOTAL ASSETS LIABILITIES:		427,894		601,550	1,029,444
Accounts payable Salaries and benefits payable		248,254 -		75,205 33,866	323,459 33,866
Accrued compensated absences Due to other governments Deferred revenue		- 		64,887 28,119 26,702	64,887 28,119 26,702
TOTAL LIABILITIES	i	248,254		228,779	477,033
NET ASSETS: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt				262 705	262.705
Unrestricted		179,640		263,785 108,986	263,785 288,626
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	179,640	\$	372,771	\$ 552,411

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	-	Internal Service Employee Group Health	_	Enterprise Community Based Services	Total
OPERATING REVENUES:	_				
Reimbursements from operating funds	\$	1,189,576	\$	-	\$ 1,189,576
Reimbursements from employees		95,904			95,904
Charges for service		••		1,844,220	1,844,220
Building rent		-		42,825	42,825
Miscellaneous		181,884		63,642	245,526
Total operating revenues		1,467,364		1,950,687	3,418,051
ODEDATING EVDENCES					
OPERATING EXPENSES: Medical claims		4 400 407			4 400 407
		1,199,137		₩	1,199,137
Insurance premiums Administrative fees		260,762		-	260,762
Salaries and benefits		45,220		1,263,894	45,220 1,263,894
Operations and supplies		-		746,773	746,773
Depreciation		-		22,535	22,535
·		4 505 440			
Total operating expenses		1,505,119		2,033,202	3,538,321
Operating loss		(37,755)		(82,515)	(120,270)
NONOBERATING DEVENIUES					
NONOPERATING REVENUES: Interest on investments		7,445		600	9.045
interest of investments		7,445			8,045
Net loss		(30,310)		(81,915)	(112,225)
Net assets beginning of year, as restated		209,950		454,686	664,636
Net assets end of year	\$	179,640	\$	372,771	\$ 552,411

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	<u>.</u> .	Internal Service Employee Group Health	_	Enterprise Community Based Services	<u>Total</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Cash received from operating fund reimbursements, employees and others Cash payments to suppliers and employees for services NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	1,467,900 (1,519,188) (51,288)	\$	1,828,787 (1,826,753) 2,034	\$ 3,296,687 (3,345,941) (49,254)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Interest on investments		7,445		600	8,045
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(43,843)		2,634	(41,209)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - Beginning of year		471,655		65,445	537,100
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - End of year	\$	427,812	\$	68,079	\$ 495,891
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	\$	(37,755)	\$	(82,515)	\$ (120,270)
Depreciation Decrease (Increase) in accounts receivable Increase in due from other governments Decrease in prepaid expenses. Increase (decrease) in accounts payable Increase in salaries and benefits payable Increase in due to other governments Increase in accrued compensated absences Increase in deferred revenue		536 - - (14,069) - - -		22,535 (52,964) (68,936) 15,089 69,799 12,920 28,119 31,285 26,702	22,535 (52,428) (68,936) 15,089 55,730 12,920 28,119 31,285 26,702
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	(51,288)	\$	2,034	\$ (49,254)

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

ASSETS

Cash and pooled investments: County Treasurer Other County officials		\$ 1,392,571 41,638
Receivables: Accounts Property tax receivable:		3,505
Delinquent		163
Succeeding year	TOTAL ASSETS	19,205,179 20,643,056
	<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accounts payable Due to other governments Trusts payable Salaries and benefits payable Compensated absences		6,020 20,555,020 41,638 15,561 24,817
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	20,643,056
	NET ASSETS	\$

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Bremer County, Iowa is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The County operates under the Board of Supervisors form of government. Elections are on a partisan basis. Other elected officials operate independently with the Board of Supervisors. These officials are the Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff and Attorney. The County provides numerous services to citizens, including law enforcement, health and social services, parks and cultural activities, planning and zoning, roadway construction and maintenance, and general administrative services.

The County's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Bremer County, Iowa has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The County has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the County are such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the County to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the County.

These financial statements present Bremer County, lowa (the primary government) and its component units. The component units discussed below are included in the County's reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the County.

<u>Blended Component Units</u> – The following component units are entities which are legally separate from the County, but are so intertwined with the County that they are, in substance, the same as the County. They are reported as part of the County and blended into the appropriate funds.

Ten drainage districts have been established pursuant to Chapter 468 of the Code of Iowa for the drainage of surface waters from agricultural and other lands or the protection of such lands from overflow. Although these districts are legally separate from the County, they are controlled, managed and supervised by the Bremer County Board of Supervisors. The drainage districts are reported as a Special Revenue Fund. Financial information of the individual drainage districts can be obtained from the Bremer County Auditor's office.

<u>Jointly Governed Organizations</u> – The County participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the County but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The County Board of Supervisors are members of or appoint representatives to the following boards and commissions: Bremer County Assessor's Conference Board, Bremer County Emergency Management Commission, and Bremer County Joint E911 Service Board. Financial transactions of these organizations are included in the County's financial statements only to the extent of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization and, as such, are reported in the Agency Funds of the County.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements – The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the County and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are supported by property tax, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange transactions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The Statement of Net Assets presents the County's nonfiduclary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in three categories.

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets not meeting the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> — Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as other nonmajor governmental funds.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. All general tax revenues and other revenues not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue

The MH-DD Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues designated to be used to fund mental health, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities services.

The Rural Services Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues to provide services which are primarily intended to benefit those persons residing in the County outside of incorporated city areas.

The Solid Waste Management Fund is used to account for retained tonnage fees.

The Secondary Roads Fund is used to account for secondary road construction and maintenance.

The Solid Waste Closure Fund is used to account for the reserves to be used for closure and post closure expenditures of the landfill, when the landfill no longer accepts solid waste.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The County reports the following major proprietary fund:

Enterprise Fund

An Enterprise Fund is used to finance and account for the operation of mental health facilities for Bremer County residents through the rental and use of County owned buildings and the support of various user charges.

Additionally, the County reports the following funds:

Proprietary Fund

An Internal Service Fund is utilized to account for the financing of goods or services purchased by one department of the County and provided to other departments or agencies on a cost reimbursement basis.

Fiduciary Funds

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, certain jointly governed organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursements grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then by general revenues.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The proprietary fund of the County applies all applicable GASB pronouncements, as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the County's Internal Service Fund are charges to the funds for sales and services. Operating expenses for Internal Service Funds include the cost of services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The County maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statements of the County are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

<u>Cash, Pooled Investments and Cash Equivalents</u> – The cash balances of most County funds are pooled and invested. Interest earned on investments is recorded in the General Fund, unless otherwise provided by law. Investments are stated at fair value except for the investment in the lowa Public Agency Investment Trust which is valued at amortized cost and non-negotiable certificates of deposit which are stated at cost.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

<u>Property Tax Receivable</u> – Property tax in governmental funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date the tax asking is certified by the County Board of Supervisors. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Supervisors to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the Board of Supervisors is required to certify its budget in March of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is deferred in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1.5% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2007 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified by the County Board of Supervisors in March 2008.

<u>Due from Other Governments</u> – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of lowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

<u>inventories</u> – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than purchased.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets, which include property, equipment and vehicles, and infrastructure assets acquired after July 1, 1980 (e.g., roads, bridges, curbs, gutters, sidewalks and similar items which are immovable and of value only to the County), are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Reportable capital assets are defined by the County as assets with initial, individual costs in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	<u>Amount</u>
Infrastructure	\$ 50,000
Land, buildings and improvements	25,000
Equipment and vehicles	5,000

Capital assets of the County are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Lives (In Years)
Buildings Building improvements Infrastructure Equipment	40-50 20-50 30-50 2-20
Vehicles	3-10

<u>Due to Other Governments</u> – Due to other governments represents taxes and other revenues collected by the County and payments for services which will be remitted to other governments.

<u>Trusts Payable</u> – Trusts payable represents amounts due to others which are held by various County officials in fiduciary capacities until the underlying legal matters are resolved.

<u>Deferred Revenue</u> – Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue in the governmental fund financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue consists of property tax receivable not collected within 60 days after year end and unspent grant proceeds.

Deferred revenue on the Statement of Net Assets consists of succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied and unspent grant proceeds.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Compensated Absences – County employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees who have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2009. The compensated absences liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General, Mental Health, Rural Services and Secondary Roads Funds.

<u>Long-Term Liabilities</u> – In the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities or proprietary fund Statement of Net Assets. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

<u>Fund Equity</u> – In the governmental fund financial statements, reservations of fund balance are reported for amounts that are not available for appropriation or legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

<u>Net Assets</u> – The net assets of the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund are designated for anticipated future catastrophic losses of the County.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2009, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the nonprogram function.

F. Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2: CASH AND POOLED INVESTMENTS

The County's deposits in banks at June 30, 2009 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The County is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Supervisors; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2: CASH AND POOLED INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments are stated at fair value.

Interest rate risk — The County's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) in instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days, but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the County.

NOTE 3: LOANS RECEIVABLE

The County has \$127,321 available to use for economic development within the County. At June 30, 2009 there are no loans outstanding for economic development.

NOTE 4: INTERFUND TRANSFERS

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2009 is as follows:

<u>Transfer to</u>	<u>Transfer from</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Conservation Land Acquisition Secondary Roads LOSST Sinking Fund General Fund HHM Financial Assurance Fund Secondary Roads Solid Waste Management Rolling Prairie Trail Total	General Fund Rural Services LOSST Solid Waste Management Solid Waste Management General Fund Customer Convenience Center General Fund	\$ 60,328 1,257,377 290,400 125,000 3,000 146,084 12,860 25,000 1,920,049

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2009 was as follows:

		Balance Beginning <u>of Year</u>		Increases and <u>Transfers</u>		Decreases and <u>Transfers</u>		Balance End of Year
Governmental activities: Capital assets not being depreciated:	Φ	1 000 101	٨	00.000	φ		•	
Land Construction in progress Total capital assets not being	\$	1,283,404 _1,219,101	\$	30,000 <u>1,199,273</u>	\$	996,167	\$	1,313,404 <u>1,422,207</u>
depreciated		2,502,505		<u>1,229,273</u>		<u>996,167</u>		2,735,611
Capital assets being depreciated: Buildings Building improvements		5,705,836 2,047,630		-		<u>-</u>		5,705,836 2,047,630
Equipment Vehicles		6,165,099 1,106,174		62,162 82,986		70,260 34,925		6,157,001 1,154,235
Infrastructure Total capital assets being		22,572,698		996,167				23,568,865
depreciated		<u>37,597,437</u>		<u>1,141,315</u>		<u> 105,185</u>		38,633,567
Less accumulated depreciation for: Buildings Building improvements		1,097,143 310,690		84,676 40,668				1,181,819 351,358
Equipment Vehicles Infrastructure		4,666,584 857,092 <u>10,808,202</u>		306,024 129,470 <u>716,218</u>		50,372 27,414		4,922,236 959,148 11,524,420
Total accumulated depreciation		17,739,711		1,277,056		77,786		18,938,981
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		<u>19,857,726</u>		<u>(135,741</u>)		27,399		<u>19,694,586</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$	22,360,231	\$	1,093,532	\$	<u>1,023,566</u>	\$	22,430,197
Business type activities: Buildings and building improvements Furniture, vehicles and equipment	\$	490,388 <u>99,546</u> 589,934	\$	-	\$	- 	\$	490,388 <u>99,546</u> 589,934
Less accumulated depreciation Business type activities capital		303,614		22,535		jaja .		326,149
assets, net	\$	<u>286,320</u>	\$	<u>(22,535</u>)	\$	<u> </u>	\$	<u>263,785</u>
Depreciation expense was charged	l to th	e following fund	ctions	:				•
Governmental activities: Public safety and legal servi Physical health and social s Mental health		98			\$	221,403 16,759 3,495		
County environment and ed Roads and transportation Governmental services to re Administration						210,393 716,218 5,055 103,733		
Total depreciation expen	se - !	governmental a	activit	es	\$	<u>1,277,056</u>		
Business type activities – depr	eciati	on expense			\$	<u>22,535</u>		

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6: DUE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The County purchases services from other governmental units and also acts as a fee and tax collection agent for various governmental units. Tax collections are remitted to those governments in the month following collection. A summary of amounts due to other governments is as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>		<u>Amount</u>
General	Services	\$	6,934
Special Revenue: MH-DD Secondary Roads Solid Waste Management LOSST Total for governmental funds	Services	\$	30,889 870 5,462 7,318 51,473
Agency: Schools Corporations Community Colleges Auto License and Use Tax County Assessor Townships Agricultural Extension Education All Other	Collections	\$	11,498,329 6,236,838 849,081 528,916 602,282 243,031 186,267 410,276
Total for agency funds		\$	20,555,020

NOTE 7: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2009 is as follows:

	Net OPEB Liability	Estimated Liability for Landfill Closure/ Postclosure Care Costs	Compensated Absences	General Obligation LOSST Bonds	Wartburg General Obligation Economic Development <u>Bonds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 1,293,800	\$ 400,054	\$ 3,160,000	\$ 1,970,000	\$ 6,823,854
Increases	55,869	-	489,231	••	-	545,100
Decreases		<u>586,250</u>	400,054	<u>160,000</u>	100,000	<u>1,246,304</u>
Balance end of year	\$ <u>55,869</u>	\$ <u>707,550</u>	\$ <u>489,231</u>	\$ <u>3,000,000</u>	\$ <u>1,870,000</u>	\$ <u>6,122,650</u>
Due within one year	\$ -	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u>489,231</u>	\$ <u>165,000</u>	\$ <u>100,000</u>	\$ <u>754,231</u>

Long-term liabilities for business type activities consist of compensated assets of \$64,887 as of June 30, 2009.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Landfill Closure Postclosure Care Costs

State and federal laws and regulations require the County to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for 30 years after closure. Although closure and postclosure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the County reports a portion of these closure and postclosure care costs as a liability based on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. The \$707,550 reported as estimated liability for landfill closure and postclosure care costs at June 30, 2009, represents the cumulative amount reported to date based on the use of 100% of the estimated capacity of the landfill expected to be used before closure. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and postclosure care during the year ended June 30, 2009. The County closed the landfill on September 30, 2007. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

In anticipation of State regulations requiring municipal solid waste landfills to demonstrate financial responsibility for the costs of closure and postclosure care, the County has reserved \$1,504,397 of funds as of June 30, 2009 for such purposes. These funds are reflected as reserved fund balance within the Special Revenue, Solid Waste Closure Fund.

Bonds Payable

A summary of the County's June 30, 2009 general obligation bonded indebtedness is as follows:

Year Ending <u>June 30</u> ,	Interest <u>Rates</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>		Total
2010	3.50%	\$ 165,000	\$ 124,147	\$	289,147
2011	3.60%	170,000	115,313	·	285,313
2012	3.70%	175,000	112,252		287,252
2013	3.70%	180,000	105,778		285,778
2014	3.85%	190,000	99,118		289,118
2015-2019	3.95%-4.35%	1,075,000	376,195		1,451,195
2020-2023	4.40%-4.60%	1,045,000	120,423		1,165,423
	•	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 1,053,226	\$	4,053,226

During the year ended June 30, 2009, the County retired \$160,000 in General Obligation bonds.

During the fiscal year 2005, the County issued a General Obligation Economic Development Bond on behalf of a contractor for the purpose of building student housing at Wartburg College. Bonds are payable on June 1 and December 1 each year, interest payments commenced December 1, 2004 and principal payments commenced on June 1, 2008.

A summary of the County's June 30, 2009 general obligation economic development bonded indebtedness is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Interest <u>Rates</u>	Principal	ļ	Interest	<u>Total</u>
2010	3.25%	\$ 100,000	\$	75,113	\$ 175,113
2011	3.30%	105,000		71,862	176,862
2012	3.50%	110,000		68,397	178,397
2013	3.60%	115,000		64,548	179,548
2014	3.75%	120,000		60,408	180,408
2015-2019	3.85%-4.20%	670,000		228,783	898,783
2020-2023	4.30%-4.50%	650,000		74,305	724,305
		\$ 1,870,000	\$	643,416	\$ 2,513,416

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8: OPERATING LEASE

During the year ended June 30, 2006, the County entered into an agreement to lease a copier. The lease agreement calls for monthly payments over a 60 month term. Future minimum payments under the lease are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	<u>Total</u>			
2010	\$ 1,356			
2011	<u>1,130</u>			
	\$ <u>2,486</u>			

Payments under the operating lease totaled \$1,356 for the year ended June 30, 2009.

NOTE 9: PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The County contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by state statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 4.10% of their annual covered salary and the County is required to contribute 6.35% of covered salary. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the County contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The County's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$386,006, \$337,378, and \$321,793, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

NOTE 10: RISK MANAGEMENT

Bremer County, Iowa is a member in the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool, as allowed by Chapter 331.301 of the Code of Iowa. The Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (Pool) is a local government risk-sharing pool whose 577 members include various governmental entities throughout the State of Iowa. The Pool was formed in August 1986 for the purpose of managing and funding third-party liability claims against its members. The Pool provides coverage and protection in the following categories: general liability, automobile liability, automobile physical damage, public officials liability, police professional liability, property, inland marine and boiler/machinery. There have been no reductions in insurance coverage from prior years.

Each member's annual casualty contributions to the Pool fund current operations and provide capital. Annual operating contributions are those amounts necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, claims, claims expenses and reinsurance expenses due and payable in the current year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Capital contributions are made during the first six years of membership and are maintained to equal 200% of the total current members' basis rates or to comply with the requirements of any applicable regulatory authority having jurisdiction over the Pool.

The Pool also provides property coverage. Members who elect such coverage make annual operating contributions which are necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses and reinsurance premiums, all of which are due and payable in the current year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Any year-end operating surplus is transferred to capital. Deficiencies in operations are offset by transfers from capital and, if insufficient, by the subsequent year's member contributions.

The County's property and casualty contributions to the risk pool are recorded as expenditures from its operating funds at the time of payment to the risk pool. The County's annual contributions to the Pool for the year ended June 30, 2009 were \$115,411.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 10: RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The Pool uses reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements to reduce its exposure to large losses. The Pool retains general, automobile, police professional, and public officials' liability risks up to \$350,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$350,000 are reinsured in an amount not to exceed \$2,650,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 in the aggregate per year. For members requiring specific coverage from \$3,000,000 to \$10,000,000, such excess coverage is also reinsured. Property and automobile physical damage risks are retained by the Pool up to \$100,000 each occurrence, each location, with excess coverage reinsured by the Travelers Insurance Company.

The Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members provides that in the event a casualty claim or series of claims exceeds the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the member's risk-sharing certificate, or in the event a series of casualty claims exhausts total members' equity plus any reinsurance and any excess risk-sharing recoveries, then payment of such claims shall be the obligation of the respective individual member. The County does not report a liability for losses in excess of reinsurance or excess risk-sharing recoveries unless it is deemed probable that such losses have occurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated. Accordingly, at June 30, 2009, no liability has been recorded in the County's financial statements. As of June 30, 2009, settled claims have not exceeded the risk pool or reinsurance coverage since the Pool's inception.

Members agree to continue membership in the Pool for a period of not less than one full year. After such period, a member who has given 60 days prior written notice may withdraw from the Pool. Upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the member's withdrawal. Members withdrawing within the first six years of membership may receive a partial refund of their casualty capital contributions. If a member withdraws after the sixth year, the member is refunded 100% of its casualty capital contributions. However, the refund is reduced by an amount equal to the annual casualty operating contribution which the withdrawing member would have made for the one-year period following withdrawal.

The County also carries commercial insurance purchased from other insurers for coverage associated with workers compensation and employee blanket bond in the amount of \$5,000,000 and \$300,000, respectively. The County assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 11: EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN

The Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund was established to account for the partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan. This plan is funded by both employee and County contributions and is administered through a service agreement with Wellmark. The agreement is subject to automatic renewal provisions. The County assumes liability for claims up to the individual stop loss limitation of \$35,000. Claims in excess of coverage are insured through purchase of stop loss insurance.

Monthly payments of service fees and plan contributions to the Employee Group Health Fund are recorded as expenditures from the operating funds. Under the administrative service agreement, monthly payments of service fees and claims processed are paid to Wellmark from the Employee Group Health Fund. The County's contributions for the year ended June 30, 2009 were \$1,189,576.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 11: EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN (Continued)

Amounts payable from the Employee Group Health Fund at June 30, 2009 total \$248,254 which is for incurred but not reported (fBNR) and reported but not paid claims. The amounts are based on actuarial estimates of the amounts necessary to pay prior-year and current-year claims, and to establish a reserve for catastrophic losses. That reserve was \$179,640 at June 30, 2009 and is reported as a designation of the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund net assets. A liability has been established based on the requirements of Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the liability can be reasonably estimated. Settlements have not exceeded the stop-loss coverage in any of the past three years. A reconciliation of changes in the aggregate liability for claims for the current year is as follows:

Unpaid claims beginning of year	\$ 262,323
Incurred claims (including claims incurred but not reported as of June 30, 2009): Current-year events	\$ <u>1,199,137</u>
Payments: Current-year events Prior year events Total payments	950,883 262,323 1,213,206
Unpaid claims end of year	\$ 248,254

NOTE 12: RETIREMENT FACILITY REVENUE BONDS

The County has issued a total of \$17,715,000 of retirement facility revenue bonds under the provisions of Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa. At June 30, 2009, the outstanding balance of retirement facility revenue bonds is \$16,635,000. The bonds and related interest are payable solely from the rents payable by tenants of the properties constructed and the bond principal and interest do not constitute liabilities of the County.

NOTE 13: OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

The County implemented GASB Statement No. 45, <u>Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits other than Pensions</u> during the year ended June 30, 2009.

<u>Plan Description</u> — The County operates a single-employer retiree benefit plan which provides medical benefits for retirees and their spouses. There are 121 active and 4 retired members in the plan.

The medical coverage is provided through a partially self-funded insurance plan with stop loss coverage provided by Wellmark. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical benefit as active employees, which results in an implicit subsidy and an OPEB liability.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the County. The County currently finances the retiree benefit plan on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation – The County's annual OPEB cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC) of the County, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal costs each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities over a period not to exceed 30 years.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 13: OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

The following table shows the components of the County's annual OPEB cost for the year ended June 30, 2009, the amount actually contributed to the plan and changes in the County's net OPEB obligation:

Annual required contribution Interest on net OPEB obligation Adjustment to annual required contribution	\$ 86,912
Annual OPEB cost Contributions made	86,912 (<u>31,043</u>)
Increase in net OPEB cost Net OPEB obligation beginning of year	55,869
Net OPEB obligation end of year	\$ <u>55,869</u>

For calculation of the net OPEB obligation, the actuary has set the transition day as July 1, 2008. The end of year net OPEB obligation was calculated by the actuary as the cumulative difference between the actuarially determined funding requirements and the actual contributions for the year ended June 30, 2009.

For the year ended June 30, 2009, the County contributed \$31,043 to the medical plan.

The County's Annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan and the net OPEB obligation as of June 30, 2009 are summarized as follows:

		Percentage of	Net
Year	Annual	Annual OPEB	OPEB
<u>Ended</u>	OPEB Cost	Cost Contributed	<u>Obligation</u>
June 30, 2009	\$ <u>86,912</u>	35.7%	\$ <u>55,869</u>

<u>Funded Status and Funding Progress</u> – As of July 1, 2008, the most recent actuarial valuation date for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, the actuarial accrued liability was \$665,992 with no actuarial value of assets, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$665,992. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was approximately \$5,827,510 and the ratio of the UAAL to covered payroll was 11.43%. As of June 30, 2009, there were no trust fund assets.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions – Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumption about future employment, mortality and the health care cost trend. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information in the section following the Notes to Financial Statements, will present multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 13: OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

As of the July 1, 2008 actuarial valuation date, the entry age actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions include a 2.5% discount rate based on the County's funding policy. The projected annual medical trend rate is 9%. The ultimate medical trend rate is 6%. The medical trend rate is reduced 0.5% each year until reaching the 6% ultimate trend rate.

Mortality rates are from the 94 Group Annuity Mortality Table, applied on a gender-specific basis. Annual retirement and termination probabilities were developed from expected IPERS retirement dates and applying a modest termination rate.

Projected claim costs of the medical plan are \$461.73 per month. The UAAL is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll expense on an open basis over 30 years.

NOTE 14: RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain amounts for the year ended June 30, 2008 have been reclassified to conform with the June 30, 2009 presentation.

NOTE 15: PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

Business Type Activities:

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, certain errors resulting in a \$42,020 net understatement of previously reported assets and liabilities were discovered. As a result, net assets for the year ended June 30, 2008 have been increased by \$42,020. This resulted in the following changes to net assets as of June 30, 2008:

As previously reported June 30, 2008	\$ 412,666
Adjustments	42,020
As restated June 30, 2008	\$ 454,686

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CASH BASIS) - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

					Final to			
		A (l		Budgete	d An			Actual
RECEIPTS:		<u>Actual</u>		<u>Original</u>		<u>Final</u>		Variánce
Property and other County tax	\$	7,708,379	\$	7,618,315	\$	7,618,315	\$	90,064
Interest and penalty on property tax	Ψ	45,661	Ψ	20,000	Ψ	20,000	Ψ	25,661
Intergovernmental		5,438,005		5,557,940		5,647,401		(209,396)
Licenses and permits		287,033		290,700		290,700		(3,667)
Charges for service		756,727		755,650		755,650		1,077
Use of money and property		648,988		356,940		356,940		292,048
Miscellaneous		353,032		469,291		469,291		(116,259)
Total receipts		15,237,825		15,068,836		15,158,297		79,528
Total Teoelpis		15,257,625		15,000,030		10,100,291		19,020
DISBURSEMENTS:				-				
Public safety and legal services		2,845,716		2,930,910		2,931,910		86,194
Physical health and social services		576,026		664,132		672,800		96,774
Mental health		2,198,555		2,316,732		2,346,539		147,984
County environment and education		1,614,629		1,825,703		1,856,437		241,808
Roads and transportation		3,513,486		3,652,200		3,652,200		138,714
Governmental services to residents		613,814		692,345		698,069		84,255
Administration		1,397,738		1,612,659		1,612,659		214,921
Nonprogram		177,788		-		27,788		(150,000)
Debt service		468,510		468,511		468,511		1
Capital projects		580,834		2,282,629		2,282,629		1,701,795
Total disbursements		13,987,096		16,445,821		16,549,542		2,562,446
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over								
(under) disbursements		1,250,729		(1,376,985)		(1,391,245)		2,641,974
Other financing sources, net		44.007		140 800		140 600		(405 542)
Other financing sources, net		44,087		149,600		149,600		(105,513)
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other								
financing sources over (under)								
disbursements and other financing uses		1,294,816		(1,227,385)		(1,241,645)		2,536,461
		.,		(1,122,1000)		(1,477,4010)		2,000,101
BALANCE - Beginning of year		9,550,189		8,003,233		8,003,233		1,617,938
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BALANCE - End of year	\$	10,845,005	\$	6,775,848	\$	6,761,588	\$	4,154,399

BUDGET TO GAAP RECONCILIATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		Governmental Funds									
	Cash Basis	Accrual <u>Adjustments</u>	Modified Accrual <u>Basis</u>								
Revenues Expenditures	\$ 15,237,825 13,987,096	\$ 116,144 (119,104)	\$ 15,353,969 13,867,992								
Net Other financing sources	1,250,729 44,087	235,248	1,485,977 44,087								
Beginning fund balance	9,550,189	(308,877)	9,241,312								
Ending fund balance	\$ 10,845,005	\$ (73,629)	\$ 10,771,376								

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - BUDGETARY REPORTING

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

The budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the County Board of Supervisors annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except blended component units and Agency Funds, and appropriates the amount deemed necessary for each of the different County offices and departments. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. Encumbrances are not recognized on the cash basis budget and appropriations lapse at year end.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon ten major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These ten functions are: public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, mental health, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, non-program, debt service and capital projects. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund and the Capital Projects Fund. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. Legal budgetary control is also based upon the appropriation to each office or department. During the year, one budget amendment increased budgeted disbursements by \$103,721. The budget amendment is reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

In addition, annual budgets are similarly adopted in accordance with the Code of Iowa by the appropriate governing body as indicated: for the County Extension Office by the County Agricultural Extension Council, for the County Assessor by the County Conference Board, for the E911 System by the Joint E911 Service Board and for Emergency Management Services by the County Emergency Management Commission.

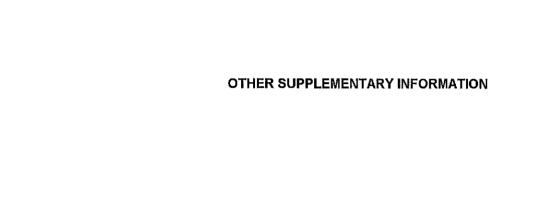
During the year ended June 30, 2009, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the nonprogram function.

SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS FOR THE RETIREE HEALTH PLAN

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	Actuarial	Actuarial Accrued	Unfunded			UAAL as a Percentage
Actuarial	Value of	Liability	AAL	Funded	Covered	of Covered
Valuation	Assets	(AAL)	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Payroll
<u>Date</u>	<u>(a)</u>	<u>(b)</u>	<u>(b-a)</u>	<u>(a/b)</u>	<u>(c)</u>	<u>((b-a)/c)</u>
July 1, 2008	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u>665,992</u>	\$ 665,992	0.00%	\$ 5,827,510	11.43%

See Note 13 in the accompanying Notes to Financial Statements for the plan description, funding policy, annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation, funded status and funding progress.



COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

		Special Revenue									
	<u>ASSETS</u>		LOSST		Urban <u>Renewal</u>	<u>D</u> i	Federal rug Money	Trl County Drug <u>Money</u>		LOSST Sinking Fund	
Cash and pooled investments Receivables:		\$	697,640	\$	7,808	. \$	7,409	\$	46,034	\$	27,255
Accounts Due from other governments			361 75,842		3	_					-
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$,	773,743	\$	7,811	\$	7,409	\$,	46,034	\$.	27,255
LIABILITIES	S AND FUND EQUITY										
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable Due to other governments Total llabilities		\$	7,318 7,318	\$	-	\$ 	-	\$		\$	-
FUND BALANCES: Unreserved, reported in: Special revenue Capital projects Total fund equity			766,425 766,425		7,811		7,409	,	46,034 - 46,034		27,255 - 27,255
	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$.	773,743	\$	7,811	\$ _	7,409	\$	46,034	\$	27,255

		 			 	Spe	cial Revenue	3						
LOSST Reserve Fund	Economic Revolving Fund	Resource Enhancement and Protection		Recorder's Records lanagement	Recorder's Electronic ransactions		Rural <u>Enterprise</u>		Convenience Center Closure <u>Fund</u>	•	Solid Waste Fee	Drainage Districts	Conservation Land <u>Acquisition</u>	HHM Financial Assurance
\$ 578,331 -	\$ 127,321	\$ 36,838	\$	41,201 589	\$ 1,634	\$	21,777	\$	4,000	\$	21,808	\$ 2,719 -	\$ 2 41,823 -	\$ 3,000
\$ 578,331	\$ 127,321	\$ 36,838	\$	41,790	\$ 1,634	\$	21,777	\$	4,000	\$	21,808	\$ 2,719	\$ 241,823	\$ 3,000
\$ -	\$ - 	\$ 5,279 - 5,279	\$	· 	\$ -	\$		\$		\$	· 	\$ M	\$ 25,056 25,056	\$, <u></u>
578,331 	127,321	31,559 	-	41,790	1,634		21,777 		4,000		21,808 	2,719	216,767	3,000
\$ 578,331	\$ 127,321	\$ 36,838	\$.	41,790	\$ 1,634	\$	21,777	\$	4,000	\$	21,808	\$ 2,719	\$ 241,823	\$ 3,000

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

	<u>ASSETS</u>			ltal Projects Rolling rairle Trail Fund		<u>Total</u>
Cash and pooled investments Receivables: Accounts Due from other governments			\$	55,000 - -	\$	1,921,498 953 75,842
		TOTAL ASSETS	\$	55,000	\$.	1,998,293
	LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
<u>LIABILITIES:</u> Accounts payable Due to other governments Total llabilitles	•		\$ 	8,610 - 8,610	\$	38,945 7,318 46,263
FUND BALANCES: Unreserved, reported in: Special revenue Capital projects Total fund equity			Frederi	46,390 46,390		1,905,640 46,390 1,952,030
	•	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$	55,000	\$	1,998,293

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	_	Special Revenue											
		LOSST		Urban <u>Renewal</u>		Federal Drug <u>Money</u>		Tri County Drug <u>Money</u>		LOSST Sinking Fund			
REVENUES:	_												
Property and other County tax Intergovernmental	\$	857,459	\$	36,926	\$	-	\$	0.400	\$	-			
Charges for service		_		•		50		8,490		-			
Use of money and property		22,460		3,064		112		584		_			
Miscellaneous		-		-		-		-		-			
Total revenues		879,919		39,990		162		9,074					
EXPENDITURES:													
Operating:													
County environment and education		-		-		-		-		_			
Debt service		-		178,763		-		-		289,748			
Capital projects		495,655				-		-					
Total expenditures		495,655		178,763		-				289,748			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues													
over (under) expenditures		384,264		(138,773)		162		9,074		(289,748)			
Other financing sources (uses):													
Transfers in		-		-		-		_		290,400			
Transfers out		(290,400)								-			
Total other financing sources (uses)		(290,400)						-		290,400			
Net change in fund balances		93,864		(138,773)		162		9,074		652			
FUND BALANCES - Beginning of year		672,561		146,584		7,247		36,960		26,603			
FUND BALANCES - End of year	\$	766,425	\$	7,811	\$	7,409	\$	46,034	\$	27,255			

				Special Reve	nue)		
LOSST Reserve <u>Fund</u>	Economic Revolving <u>Fund</u>		Resource Enhancement and Protection	Recorder's Records <u>Management</u>		Recorder's Electronic <u>Transactions</u>	Rural <u>Enterprise</u>	Convenience Center Closure <u>Fund</u>
\$ 66,120	\$	1,792 1,792	\$ 20,061 - 795 - 20,856	\$ 5,322 369 	\$	-	\$ 1,200 1,200	\$ -
-		-	39,291 - 39,291	-			-	
66,120		1,792	(18,435)	5,691		_	1,200	
-		-					Land	
66,120		1,792	(18,435)	5,691		-	1,200	
512,211		125,529	49,994	36,099		1,634	20,577	4,000
\$ 578,331	\$	127,321	\$ 31,559	\$ 41,790	\$	1,634	\$ 21,777	\$ 4,000

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	-		Spe	cial R	evenue	
		Solid Waste <u>Fee</u>	Drainage <u>Districts</u>	C	Conservation Land <u>Acquisition</u>	HHM Financiai Assurance
REVENUES: Property and other County tax Intergovernmental Charges for service Use of money and property Miscellaneous Total revenues	\$	834 - - - - 834	\$ - - - - -	\$	12 4,650 5,804 10,466	\$ - - - -
EXPENDITURES: Operating: County environment and education Debt service Capital projects Total expenditures		8,000 - 8,000	-	-	59,875 - - 59,875	- - - -
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		(7,166)			(49,409)	
Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in Transfers out Total other financing sources (uses)		-	N N		60,328	3,000
Net change in fund balances		(7,166)	-		10,919	3,000
FUND BALANCES - Beginning of year		_28,974	2,719		205,848	-
FUND BALANCES - End of year	\$	21,808	\$ 2,719	\$	216,767	\$ 3,000

Ca	pital I	Proj	ects		
Custome	1		Rolling		
Convenience C	Cente	r	Prairie Trall		
<u>Fund</u>			<u>Fund</u>		<u>Total</u>
\$		\$		\$	894,385
φ	-	Ф	_	Φ	29,435
	-		<u>-</u>		5,334
	_		_		99,946
	_		5,000		12,004
			5,000		1,041,104
	-		•		99,166
	-		-		476,511
			8,610		504,265
	-		8,610		1,079,942
			/9 G/O)		(20.020)
			(3,610)		(38,838)
	_		25,000		378,728
(12,	860)		· 		(303,260)
(12,	860)		25,000		75,468
(12,	860)		21,390		36,630
12,	860		25,000		1,915,400
\$	_	\$	46,390	\$	1.952.030

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

	ACCETC		-	County Offices County County Auditor Sheriff				Agricultural Extension Education
	<u>ASSETS</u>							
Cash and pooled investments County Treasurer Other County officials Receivables:	:		\$	- 15,000	\$	- 26,638	\$	1,463
Accounts				-		-		-
Property tax: Delinquent Succeeding year					-	-	_	1 184,803
		TOTAL ASSETS	\$	15,000	\$ _	26,638	\$ _	186,267
!	LIABILITIES							
Accounts payable Due to other governments Trusts payable Salaries and benefits payable Compensated absences	•		\$	15,000 - -	\$	26,638 - -	\$	- 186,267 - - -
		TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	15,000	\$	26,638	\$	186,267

Schedule 3

County <u>Assessor</u>	<u>Schools</u>		Community ols <u>Colleges</u>		<u>(</u>	Corporations		<u>Townships</u>	City Special <u>Assessments</u>		
\$ 296,377 -	\$	94,748 -	\$	7,221	\$	44,859	\$	1,934 -	\$	9,738	
••		-		-		-				-	
1 339,386		78 11,403,503		6 841,854		75 _6,191,904		2 241,095	_	-	
\$ 635,764	\$ _	11,498,329	\$	849,081	\$	6,236,838	\$,	243,031	\$	9,738	
			•		4		•		•		
\$ 110 602,282	\$	- 11,498,329	\$	849,081	\$	6,236,838	\$	- 243,031	\$	9,738	
12,328 21,044	-	-				-	,			-	
\$ 635,764	\$	11,498,329	\$	849,081	\$	6,236,838	\$	243,031	\$	9,738	

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

<u>ASSETS</u>		Auto License and <u>Use Tax</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and pooled investments: County Treasurer Other County officials Receivables:		\$ 528,916 -	\$ 407,315 -	\$ 1,392,571 41,638
Accounts Property tax:		-	3,505	3,505
Delinquent Succeeding year		-	2,634	163 19,205,179
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 528,916	\$ <u>413,454</u>	\$ 20,643,056
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Accounts payable Due to other governments Trusts payable Salaries and benefits payable Compensated absences		\$ - 528,916 - - -	\$ 5,910 400,538 - 3,233 3,773	\$ 6,020 20,555,020 41,638 15,561 24,817
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 528,916	\$ 413,454	\$ 20,643,056

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		County Offices	
	County	County	County
	<u>Recorder</u>	<u>Auditor</u>	<u>Sheriff</u>
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Balances beginning of year	\$	\$15,000	\$ 34,549
Additions:			
Property and other County tax		_	#
E911 surcharge	-	-	-
State tax credits	•	-	-
Reimbursements	•	-	-
Office fees and collections	388,040	-	-
Auto licenses, use tax and postage	-	-	-
Assessments Trusts	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	528	369,453
			77,522
Total additions	388,040	528	446,975
Deductions:			
Agency remittances:			
To other funds	276,915	-	28,440
To other governments	111,125	-	· -
Trusts paid out	pa	528	_426,446
Total deductions	388,040	528	454,886
Balances end of year	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u>15,000</u>	\$ 26,638

Schedule 4

٠	Agricultural Extension Education	County <u>Assessor</u>	<u>Schools</u>	Community <u>Colleges</u>	!	Corporations	<u>Townships</u>	City Special <u>Assessments</u>
\$	174,478	\$ 755,257	\$ 11,190,117	\$ 872,938	\$	6,221,701	\$ 198,542	\$ 5,039
	182,105	331,519	11,230,326	828,478		7,805,616	239,890	-
	7,129	20,783	458,007	35,073		249,853	8,513	-
	-	-	-	-		-	-	-
	-	-	-	-		-	-	-
	-		-	-		-	_	115,998
		35,342	<u>-</u>					
	189,234	387,644	11,688,333	863,551		8,055,469	248,403	115,998
	_	_	_	_		_	_	_
	177,445	507,137	11,380,121	887,408		8,040,332	203,914	111,299
	177,445	507,137	11,380,121	887,408		8,040,332	203,914	111,299
\$	186,267	\$ 635,764	\$ 11,498,329	\$ 849,081	\$	6,236,838	\$ 243,031	\$ 9,738

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Auto		
	License and		
	<u>Use Tax</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	•		
Balances beginning of year	\$ 446,001	\$ 275,241	\$ 20,188,863
Additions:			
Property and other County tax	-	226,101	20,844,035
E911 surcharge	-	117,776	117,776
State tax credits	-	105,817	885,175
Reimbursements	-	15,488	15,488
Office fees and collections	-	68,886	456,926
Auto licenses, use tax and postage	5,742,434	-	5,742,434
Assessments	-	-	115,998
Trusts	M .	-	369,981
Miscellaneous	<u>-</u> _	5,685	118,549
Total additions	5,742,434	539,753	28,666,362
Deductions:			
Agency remittances:			
To other funds		33,515	338,870
To other governments	5,659,519	368,025	27,446,325
Trusts paid out	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· -	426,974
Total deductions	5,659,519	401,540	28,212,169
Balances end of year	\$ 528,916	\$ <u>413,454</u>	\$ 20,643,056

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES BY SOURCE AND EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE LAST NINE YEARS

	_			 	Mo	difie	ed Accrual Ba	sis	
		2009	 2008	2007	 <u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>		2004
REVENUES:									
Property and other County tax	\$	7,718,448	\$ 7,268,278	\$ 6,878,411	\$ 6,284,298	\$	6,052,821	\$	5,207,785
Interest and penalty on property tax		45,661	47,639	49,600	40,636		42,804		44,451
Intergovernmental		5,553,202	4,582,053	3,648,166	3,731,301		4,880,199		3,644,926
Licenses and permits		288,404	247,059	322,052	221,814		200,170		155,811
Charges for service		661,815	901,004	1,231,011	1,184,065		1,229,355		1,274,480
Use of money and property		767,094	572,348	376,759	317,050		266,886		223,839
Fines, forfeltures and defaults		-	-	5,541	2,629		-		-
Miscelianeous		319,345	324,838	453,176	366,393		298,883		373,885
Total	\$	15,353,969	\$ 13,943,219	\$ 12,964,716	\$ 12,148,186	\$	12,971,118	\$	10,925,177
EXPENDITURES:									
Operating:									
Public safety and legal services	\$	2,826,284	\$ 2,697,168	\$ 2,511,977	\$ 2,313,922	\$	1,953,695	\$	1,890,744
Physical health and social services		577,372	547,100	534,235	512,458		465,340		483,770
Mental health		2,219,420	1,992,300	1,728,055	1,567,486		1,416,369		1,531,881
County environment and education		1,656,288	1,313,002	1,134,194	1,138,378		3,177,166		1,281,420
Roads and transportation		3,430,498	3,432,671	3,521,063	3,569,534		3,401,696		3,377,603
Governmental services to residents		613,004	527,507	573,163	382,663		462,790		457,446
Administration		1,378,310	1,335,826	1,294,252	1,666,265		1,002,011		1,081,711
Non-program		170,654	-	-	-		3,991		-
Debt service		476,511	763,447	689,851	713,348		700,218		965,218
Capital projects		519,651	1,469,981	338,574	_1,168,136		3,001,102		1,994,118
Total	\$	13,867,992	\$ 14,079,002	\$ 12,325,364	\$ 13,032,190	\$	15,584,378	\$	13,063,911

	2003		2002		2001
\$	4,282,234	\$	3,932,252	\$	3,774,894
	44,487		46,391		44,020
	3,574,954		3,921,006		4,383,594
	137,844		135,170		114,515
	1,167,851		924,484		836,128
	256,342		385,377		518,850
					<u>-</u>
	210,365		120,897		180,847
\$	9,674,077	\$	9,465,577	\$	9,852,848
\$	1 615 267	\$	1,507,052	\$	1 409 401
Ψ	1,615,367	Ψ	459,202	Ψ	1,408,421 433,339
	411,970 1.530,660		1,489,916		1.808.004
	920,217		1,181,270		1,491,882
	2,962,086		2,896,916		3,073,668
	382,252		356,189		313,480
	1,686,453		1,435,514		1,632,714
	1,000,400		1,400,014		29.987
	58 ,1 81		60,106		62,032
	533,767		708,084		301,052
	230,731		100,004		001,002
\$	10,100,953	\$	10,094,249	\$	10,554,579

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHERS MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITNG STANDARDS

To the Officials of Bremer County, Iowa:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the government activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bremer County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents and have issued our report thereon dated March 26, 2010. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing</u> Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Bremer County, lowa's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of Bremer County, lowa's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Bremer County, lowa's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies and other deficiencies we consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Bremer County, lowa's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of Bremer County, lowa's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Bremer County, lowa's internal control. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Bremer County, Iowa's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the significant deficiencies described above, we believe item 09-II-A is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Bremer County, lowa's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statements amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters that are described in Part III of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the County's operations for the year ended June 30, 2009 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the County. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Bremer County, lowa's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusions on the County's responses, we did not audit Bremer County, lowa's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of Bremer County, lowa and other parties to whom Bremer County, lowa may report including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Bremer County, lowa during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

ANDERSON, LARKIN & CO. P.C.

Ottumwa, Iowa March 26, 2010

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

Part I: Summary of the Independent Auditor's Results

- a. Unqualified opinions were issued on the financial statements.
- b. Significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements, including a material weakness.
- c. The audit did not disclose any noncompliance which is material to the financial statements.

Part II: Findings Related to the Financial Statements

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:

09-II-A <u>Segregation of Duties</u> – During our review of internal control, the existing procedures are evaluated in order to determine that incompatible duties, from a control standpoint, are not performed by the same employee. This segregation of duties helps to prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and, therefore, maximizes the accuracy of the County's financial statements.

<u>Recommendation</u> – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the County Officials should review the operating procedures of each office to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

<u>Response</u> – We will review procedures and make changes to improve internal control as appropriate and possible.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

Part III: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting

09-III-A <u>Certified Budget</u> – Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2009 exceeded the amounts budgeted in the nonprogram function.

Recommendation – The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 331.435 of the Code of lowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

Response – We will amend the budget in the future when required.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

- 09-III-B <u>Questionable Expenditures</u> We noted no expenditures that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- 09-III-C <u>Travel Expense</u> No expenditures of County money for travel expenses of spouses of County officials or employees were noted.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

Part III: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting (Continued)

09-III-D <u>Business Transactions</u> – Business transactions between the County and County officials or employees are detailed as follows:

Name, Title and Business Connection	Transaction Description	<u>Amount</u>
Dennis Miller, Deputy Sheriff, Owner DLM Sales and Service Dennis Harverkamp, Engineering, Contract	Supplies	\$ <u>26</u>
Laborer Laborer	Cleaning	\$ <u>1,289</u>

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the transactions with the two County employees do not appear to represent conflicts of interest since total transactions with each individual were less than \$1,500 during the fiscal year.

- 09-III-E <u>Bond Coverage</u> Surety bond coverage of County officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions.
- 09-III-F <u>Board Minutes</u> No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.
- 09-III-G <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the County's investment policy were noted.
- 09-III-H Resource Enhancement and Protection Certification The County properly dedicated property tax revenue to conservation purposes as required by Chapter 455A.19(1)(b) of the Code of Iowa in order to receive the additional REAP funds allocated in accordance with subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3).
- 09-III-I County Extension Office The County Extension Office is operated under the authority of Chapter 176A of the Code of lowa and serves as an agency of the State of lowa. This fund is administered by an Extension Council separate and distinct from County operations and, consequently, is not included in Exhibits A or B.

Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2009 for the County Extension Office did not exceed the amount budgeted.